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Honorable Bart Gordon  
House of Representatives  
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Dear Congressman Gordon:

Thank you for your letter on behalf of James E. Hill, editor and publisher of the Pickett County Press. Mr. Hill suggests that the Commission's recent adoption of a petition for rule making requesting the allotment of FM Channel 244A to Byrdstown, Tennessee, may not be in the best interest of Pickett County residents at this time.

The Commission allotted Channel 244A to Byrdstown based on the information submitted in response to a Notice of Proposed Rule Making seeking comment on the request. No parties filed comments opposing the proposal. Therefore, we found the public interest would be served by providing Byrdstown with its first local transmission service. The time period for seeking reconsideration of this action expired August 28, 1992.

Sincerely,

Roy J. Stewart  
Chief, Mass Media Bureau

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September 24, 1992

Mr. Michael Ruger  
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Dear Michael,

Enclosed you will find a request for assistance from a constituent of mine, Mr. James Hill. I believe you will find his letter to be self-explanatory.

Please review this matter and provide me with a response which I may share with my constituent.

Thank you for your time and attention in this matter.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Bart", written over the word "Sincerely,".

BART GORDON  
Member of Congress

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September 21, 1992

The Honorable Bart Gordon  
U.S. House of Representatives  
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Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Congressman Gordon:

It has come to my attention that a request to the Federal Communication Commission (FCC) has been made urging an allotment for a FM radio channel to be given for Byrdstown, Tennessee.

The petitioner in this request is a resident of Albany, Kentucky, Donald Poore.

As you may know, Byrdstown's first and only AM channel was awarded a few years ago to parties from Albany, Kentucky. That station, WSBI, is located in Kentucky and is primarily serving the residents of Albany (Clinton County) Kentucky. Its influence and service to Pickett Countians is minimal.

I feel that the FCC should consider this as well as several other factors before any further action.

The Byrdstown, Pickett County community has been well served with news and other items of interest from the local paper since 1963.

I suspect that the request for yet another radio station channel may not be in the best interest of Pickett Countians at this time, merely a tactic for other intentions.

Thank you for your time and attention.

Yours truly,



James E. Hill

JEH/lm

Enclosure

## FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION

Before the  
Federal Communications Commission  
Washington, D.C. 20554

MM Docket No. 92-74

In the Matter of

Amendment of Section 73.202(b), RM-7952  
Table of Allotments,  
FM Broadcast Stations.  
(Byrdstown, Tennessee)

Michael C. Ruger  
Chief, Allocations Branch  
Policy and Rules Division  
Mass Media Bureau

**REPORT AND ORDER**  
(Proceeding Terminated)

Adopted: July 2, 1992; Released: July 23, 1992

By the Chief, Allocations Branch:

1. At the request of Donald Poore ("petitioner"), the Commission has before it the *Notice of Proposed Rule Making*, 7 FCC Rcd 2324 (1992), proposing the allotment of Channel 244A to Byrdstown, Tennessee. Petitioner filed comments reiterating his intention to apply for the channel, if allotted. No other comments were received.

2. We believe the public interest would be served by the allotment of Channel 244A to Byrdstown, Tennessee, since it could provide the community with its first local FM service. Channel 244A can be allotted to Byrdstown in compliance with the Commission's minimum distance separation requirements with a site restriction of 8.1 kilometers (5.0 miles) northeast in order to avoid a short-spacing to Station WDOD-FM, Channel 243C, Chattanooga, Tennessee.<sup>1</sup>

3. Accordingly, pursuant to the authority contained in Sections 4(i), 5(c)(1), 303(g) and (r) and 307(b) of the Communications Act of 1934, as amended, and Sections 0.61, 0.204(b) and 0.283 of the Commission's Rules, IT IS ORDERED, That effective September 8, 1992, the FM Table of Allotments, Section 73.202(b) of the Commission's Rules, IS AMENDED, with respect to the community listed below, to read as follows:

City	Channel No.
Byrdstown, Tennessee	244A

4. The window period for filing applications will open on September 9, 1992, and close on October 9, 1992.

5. IT IS FURTHER ORDERED, That this proceeding IS TERMINATED.

6. For further information concerning this proceeding, contact Pamela Blumenthal, Mass Media Bureau, (202) 634-6530.

<sup>1</sup> The coordinates for Channel 244A at Byrdstown are North

Latitude 36-38-10 and West Longitude 85-05-22.

RM-7952

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Sec. 73.202(b)

Filed: 3-13-92

Donald Poore

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